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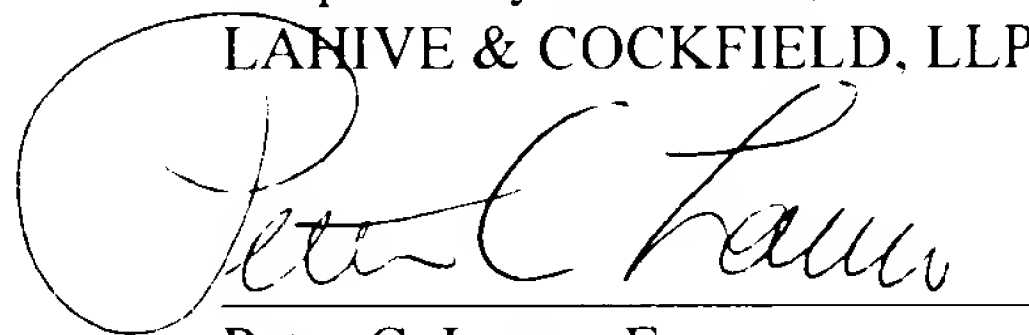
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Applicants and their attorney are aware of the following additional references, listed on the attached PTO Form 1449, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97 hereby submit these references for the Examiner's consideration. Full copies of publications listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 as C1-C23, D1-D13, E1-E14, and F1-F1 are enclosed. Inasmuch as references G1-G3 are pending U.S. patent applications, copies of these applications are not provided.

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